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Dear Sirs:

Please enter this Amendment to the Office Action of May 18, 1993 which was issued in connection with the above-identified application. This Amendment is being timely filed.

AMEND THIS APPLICATION AS FOLLOWS:

In The Claims:

Amend claims 150, 151 and 183 as follows:

150. (Amended) A method of detecting the presence or absence of a nucleic acid in a sample which comprises the steps of

(a) contacting <u>under hybridizable conditions</u> said sample with at least one compound comprising the structure:

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